

**RESOLUTION OF OPPOSITION TO CONSTRUCTION
OF THE LONGMEADOW PARKWAY (BOLZ ROAD) BRIDGE**

WHEREAS, the Village of Barrington Hills is dedicated to participating in regional traffic planning consistent with the goals of its Comprehensive Plan, and for the betterment of its residents and the region; and

WHEREAS, the Longmeadow Parkway Fox River Bridge Corridor, which is a proposed four-lane Fox River Bridge crossing and four lane arterial roadway corridor, approximately 5.6 miles in length, is planned to pass through the Village of Barrington Hills, in addition to other nearby communities; and

WHEREAS, in 2006, the Village Board adopted Resolution 06-06, supporting a study to consider the feasibility and benefit to be derived from the construction of the Longmeadow Parkway Bridge, in support of the efforts being undertaken by the Village of Algonquin and Kane County; and

WHEREAS, since 2006, the Village has continued to study the feasibility and effect of the construction of the Longmeadow Parkway on the Village and its residents, and has concluded, when all elements of cost of the Longmeadow Parkway are considered, the total cost of Longmeadow Parkway will be in excess of \$100 million; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Transportation has not yet undertaken a study to examine and pursue safety and capacity improvements along IL Rte. 62 and has not yet programmed funds to undertake such a study within the next five years; and

WHEREAS, a significant amount of the total cost will come from taxpayer funds at the local, state and federal levels at a time when all units of government are facing serious financial limitations; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of Illinois has challenged the citizens and all levels of government to identify means to save money and assist the State of Illinois resolve its serious financial situation; and

WHEREAS, the construction of Longmeadow Parkway, including a connection to Route 62 will have an impact on Village residents living in the area, including high levels of noise, loss of property, loss of access to property, diminution of property values, loss of open space and wildlife habitat, impingement on school district property, impingement on public park land, and general disruption of the quiet enjoyment of resident's property; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the effects the construction and resultant traffic is expected to have on the Village, events of the past several years, including analysis of population growth patterns and the current financial difficulties in the State of Illinois prompts the Village to reassess its support for the Longmeadow Parkway.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Barrington Hills, located in Cook, Kane, Lake and McHenry Counties, Illinois as a home rule municipality the following:

SECTION ONE: The recitals set forth herein are incorporated into this Resolution as though fully set forth herein.

SECTION TWO: The President and Board of Trustees, in view of the many facts now apparent that were unknown at the time of passage of Resolution 06-06, can no longer support the Longmeadow Parkway project or the construction of a bridge across the Fox River at Bolz Road.

SECTION THREE: The President and Board of Trustees will no longer support an extension of Longmeadow Parkway across portions of the Village that will severely and detrimentally affect residents of the Village.

SECTION FOUR: The President and Board of Trustees will work diligently with residents and implementing agencies to ensure that environmental investigations supporting any project affecting the Village will fully comply with all relevant rules and regulations, will be based on current and prevailing data, will be guided by current and prevailing standards and will be updated in a public process.

SECTION FIVE: The President and Board of Trustees remain committed to working with other regional communities, counties and the State of Illinois to identify traffic management measures and projects which can be objectively proven to benefit the residents of the region.

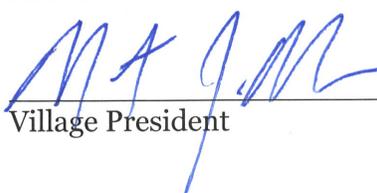
SECTION SIX: This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

SECTION SEVEN: The Village Clerk is hereby directed to send a certified copy of this Resolution to the Kane County Board Office, 719 Batavia Avenue, Geneva, IL 60134, the Kane County Division of Transportation, 41W011 Burlington Road, St. Charles, IL 60175, and to each of the state and federal legislators representing the Village of Barrington Hills.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 1

PASSED AND APPROVED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Barrington Hills, Illinois, this 22nd day of June, 2015.

APPROVED:


Village President



ATTEST:


Village Clerk